Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Commodities for which MIS implemented
10.	Maharashtra	Onion
11.	Meghalaya	Ginger, Potato
12.	Mizoram	Ginger, Hatkora, Passion Fruit
13.	Punjab	Potato, Grapes, Kinoo, Malta
14.	Rajasthan	Kinoo, Malta, Onion, Garlic, Orange, Coriander seed, Cumin seed
15.	Sikkim	Ginger, Cabbage
16.	Tripura	Pineapple
17.	Uttar Pradesh	Potato, Apples, Kinoo, Malta
18.	Uttarakhand	Apples, Malta
.19.	West Bengal	Potato

Payment for compensation to affected farmers in Rajasthan

1180. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
MS. MABEL REBELLO:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state whether Government is considering the request of Rajasthan regarding release of balance Central Government's share of Rs. 26.13 crores for payment of compensation to affected farmers of Kharif, 2005 under NAIS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): There is no pending balance amount of Central Government's share pertaining to claims of farmers of Rajasthan for Kharif 2005 under National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS).

Production of onion

†1181. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the production of onion is increasing continuously in the country from the year 2004-05 to the month of March, 2006-07;

(b) if so, the rate of increase in production in the above said each year;

(c) whether it is also a fact that export of onion has also increased continuously in the above said years in the country;

(d) if so, the rate of increase of export in the above said each year; and

(e) the average purchase price for domestic common consumers at national level in the country in above said each year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRJ KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) As per data compiled by the National Horticulture Board, the production of onion in the country and the rate of increase from 2004-05 to 2006-07 are as follows:

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Year	Production (in lakh tonnes)	Percentage change
2004-05	77.61	23.8
2005-06	92.48	19.16
2006-07	88.51	(-)4.29

(c) and (d) As per data compiled by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence & Statistics, the export of onion from the country and the rate of increase from 2004-05 to 2006-07 are as follows:

Year	Export (in lakh tonnes)	Increase
2004-05	8.70	4.44
2005-06	9.60	10.34
2006-07	11.63	21.14

(e) Average purchase prices of onion for domestic common consumers at national level are not compiled.

However, the average retail prices of onion compiled by the Department of Consumer Affairs at important centres in the country at the given points of time are as follows:

Centre	Retail Prices of Onion (Rs. per Kg.)			
	As on 22/11/07	A month back 22/10/07	3 months back 22/8/07	1 year back 22/11/06
Delhi	14.00	22.00	23.00	9.00
Mumbai	18.00	19.00	17.00	13.00
Kolkata	15.00	20.00	16.00	10.00
Chennai	14.00	14.00	14.00	6.00

Possibility of more yield of wheat

†1182. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that yield of wheat is likely to be more among the kharif crops in the country;

(b) if so, the quantity by which the produce is likely to be more;

(c) whether Government has considered to give incentive for production of wheat besides incentive regarding procurement at the rate of rupees 1000 per quintal support price of wheat; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) Wheat is a Rabi season crop. Sowing of wheat for the crop year 2007-08 is in progress. Yield of wheat could be known after its harvest.

(c) and (d) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

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